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COORDINATING COMMITTEE

RECORD OF DISCUSSION

ON

ITEM 1088 - GEAR MAKING MACHINERY

29th October, 18th, 19th and 30th November, 1959

Present: Belgium (Luxembourg), Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, United Kingdom, United States.

References: COCOM Documents Nos. 3700.2, .3 and .8, 3710.00/1, W.P.1088/1, 2 and 3 Revised.

Part (b) 1. The FRENCH Delegation proposed the deletion of the parenthetical phrase in sub-item (b): "(diametral pitch finer than 48)", which in the French version of the definition read: "pas diamétral de moins de 48". The term being unfamiliar to French technicians, difficulties had arisen in applying the control.

2. The GERMAN Delegation proposed that the embargo under sub-item (b) of the definition should be limited to machines making all types of teeth for small precision gears.

3. A Working Group of experts studied the problem referred to by the French Delegation and reached the conclusion that, in order to have the same meaning in French as in English, the respective texts should be as follows:

English text: (b) of a maximum work piece capacity of less than ... inches diameter and capable of the production of gears of a module finer than 0.5 mm. (diametral pitch finer than 48).

French text: (b) conçues pour la fabrication de pièces d'un diamètre maximum inférieur à ... mm et capables de produire des engrenages d'un module inférieur à 0,5 (pas diamétral correspondant à un chiffre supérieur à 48).

4. The Working Group also studied the German suggestion to limit the embargo to machines making all types of teeth for small precision gears. They reported that, as they had found difficulty in recognising a machine having this rather restricted qualification, the German experts had agreed to reexamine the proposal.

5. In the course of the subsequent discussion as to the size cut-off which should be recommended for insertion in the text proposed by the experts, the figure of 2" found support and the figure of 4" was also suggested. The Chairman asked that all Delegations should report back to their Governments and be prepared to state their final views on this point during the second round of discussions.

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6. On the 30th November, the GERMAN Delegation stated that they would like the embargo under sub-item (b) to cover machines whose characteristics enable them to work small gears of all types, including, for example, helical and spherical gears.

7. The ITALIAN Delegation stated that they could concur with the German Delegation on this point.

CONCLUSION: The COMMITTEE noted that agreement had not been reached on Item 1088 and agreed to resume its study during the second round of discussion.

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